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1. INDONESIA

DEWI SUKARNO SENT PRES FORD LETTER ASKING INVESTIGATION OF CIA ROLE IN INDONESIA DURING LATE HUSBAND'S RULE, ACCORDING FREELANCE NEWSMAN AND FRIEND WILLEM A OLTMANS MONDAY. SAID DEWI CHARGED CIA "SPIED ON MY HUSBAND, MANUFACTURED A FAKE FILM IN ORDER TO SLANDER THE GOOD NAME AND HONOR OF SUKARNO, PREPARED AN ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT AGAINST HIM AND CONSPIRED TO OUST HIM FROM OFFICE" (UPI, AMSTERDAM IN CHITRIB).

2. JAPAN

TOKYO POLICE ARREST 17-YEAR-OLD HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT UNCLASSIFIED

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WHO HI-JACKED ANA TRI-STAR JET EN ROUTE CHITOSE FROM TOKYO; QUOTE HIM SAYING ACTED ON IMPULSE, WANTED GO TO HONOLULU. YOUTH ALLOWED CREW RETURN TOKYO, SAFELY DEBARK 286 PASSENGERS. TWO POLICE IN GROUND

CREW COVERALLS THEN ENTERED PLANE, SEIZED YOUTH, WHO WAS UNARMED (AP CHITRIB, BALTO N-A; REUTER, WP).

DAICEL LTD, OF OSAKA, LICENSED USE MONSANTO POLYMERS AND PETROCHEMICAL TECHONOLGY TO PRODUCE ACETIC ACID. DAICEL PLANS BUILD 150,000 TON CAPACITY PLANT IN KANSAI AREA BY 1979 (JOC, ST LOUIS).

JAPANESE TRANSPORT PLANE CONSORTIUM SAYS LIKELY SEEK ONE, TWO-YEAR DELAY IN TENTATIVE PROGRAM BUILD MEDIUM-RANGE JET-LINER WITH BOEING, AERITALIA; CITES SLUMPING WORLD AIRCRAFT MARKET (LAT, 7/28).

TERUKUNI KAIUN, ONE OF JAPAN'S TOP TEN SHIP OPERATORS, SAID MONDAY FATE IN LAPS OF MOT, FIRM'S BANKERS. PLIGHT REVEALED WHEN ONE OF 38 SHIPS ATTACHED IN GENOA, ALLEGEDLY FOR NON-PAYMENT CHARTER FEES. ACCUMULATED DEBTS TOTAL 118 MILLION DOLS, INCLUDING 50 MILLION DOL LOAN FROM JAPAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (JOC, TOKYO).

LAT'S FORMER SOCIETY COLUMNIST CHRISTY FOX, IN TOKYO ON JAPAN FDN FELLOWSHIP, (7/27) DESCRIBES LUNCHEON GIVEN HER AND HUSBAND'S HONOR BY AMBASSADOR, MRS HODGSON. LAUDS MRS. HODGSON IDEA HAVE REPRODUCTIONS OF AMERICAN FOLK ART PAINTED ON KING-SIZE SHEETS BY JAPANESE ARTIST GISHIKEN KIYOTA TO DECORATE RESIDENCE FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY RECEPTION TO WHICH 1,000 GUESTS INVITED (PHOTO OF MRS. HODGSON).

3. CHINA

INTELLIGENCE SOURCES SAY CHINESE SATELLITE LAUNCHED 7/26 PROBABLY PRC'S FIRST ESPIONAGE SPACECRAFT; PASSES OVER AREAS WHERE USSR STATIONS TROOPS, CONDUCTS NUCLEAR TESTS (WP, WSJ).

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COOPERATION 7/28 (WP).

OVER 10,000 PRC TROOPS SENT INTO HANGCHOW FACTORIES TO HELP WITH PRODUCTION; 3 KEY OFFICIALS REPLACED DUE TO CON TINUED FACTIONAL STRIFE, LABOR UNREST. RADIO BROADCASTS SAY TROOP INTERVENTION NECESSARY BECAUSE HANGCHOW WORKERS UNABLE INCREASE PRODUCTION UNDER "BOURGEOIS FACTIONALISM" INFLUENCE AND SABOTAGE ACTIVITIES (BUTTERFIELD, NYT). NCNA REPORTS PRC HAS SUCCEEDED IN TRANSPLANTING WHEAT WHICH CAN YIELD 3 CROPS ANNUALLY RATHER THAN 1 (UPI, JOC).

4. DIEGO GARCIA

SENATE APPROVES DIEGO GARCIA NAVAL BASE CONSTRUCTION BY 53-43 VOTE. DEFEATING MANSFIELD RESOLUTION BLOCKING CON-

5. INDOCHINA

US EMBASSY SAYS CONTINUED PL OCCUPATION OF GSO COMPOUND HAS CREATED SERIOUS PROBLEMS, URGES AMERICAN TOURISTS NOT VISIT LAOS, BUT STATES US WANTS MAINTAIN DIP RELS (WP).

AFSC SAYS WILL DEFY TREASURY BAN, SHIP 325,000 DOLS IN AID TO NVN, SVN. ISSUE IS WHETHER MATERIALS ARE ECON OR HUMANITARIAN; INCLUDED FISHING NETS, HOSPITAL REPAIR TOOLS, TILLERS. OTHER SHIPMENT OF MED SUPPLIES, FOOD, SCHOOL SUPPLIES EARLIER LICENSED (AP, NYT). AFSC CHMN SAID PREPARED GO JAIL, PAY FINES, FOR VIOLATION GOVT POLICY, BECAUSE US HAS "MORAL OBLIGATION" PROVIDE RECONSTRUCTION AID (JOHNSON, WP).

SVN RADIO SAYS THOUSANDS CONTINUE GET GUERRILLA TRAINING (WP; AP, SUN). WESTERN OBSERVERS SAY NVN, SVN TOGETHER REPRESENT FORMIDABLE MIL POWER (AP, SUN). NVN ACCUSES US, THAILAND OF TRYING BUILD RADAR STATION ON THAI-VN BORDER TO SPY ON INDOCHINESE COUNTRIES, DETECT MISSILES AND PLANES (WP).

SENIOR SVN OFFICIAL SAYS NO CHANCE 2 VNS WILL BE UNITED IN NEAR FUTURE, ADDS SECURITY, EDUCATION OF SVIETS MAIN PROBLEMS (WP; GLOBE, UPI, NYT). ADDS CHARACTER UNCLASSIFIED

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OF SVIETS TOTALLY DIFFERENT FROM NVIETS (UPI, NYT).

SVN RADIO SAYS BIENHOA, LONGKHANH PROVS PREPARING RECEIVE 25,000 BEING SENT FROM SAIGON TO COUNTRYSIDE TO GROW FOOD. DISCLOSE CHIEF CONSON, 70 OTHER PRISON OFFICIALS SURRENDERED AFTER TRYING ESCAPE BY SEA (WP). ADDS 3RD NLF CONGRESS OPENED IN SAIGON WITH 300 ATTENDING; MAKES NO MENTION CONGRESS' PURPOSE (AP, SUN).

THIEU REPORTED LIKELY MAKE TAIWAN PERMANENT HOME, DESPITE REPORTS FROM LONDON HE HAS APPLIED FOR VISA VISIT BRITAIN FOR 6 MOS (WP).

CANADA INCREASES AID TO SVN, LAOS AND, IF REQUESTED, CAMBODIA TO 16.75 MIL DOLS. AID TO GO THRU INTL RED CROSS, UN AGENCIES (JOC).

SVN DELEGATES WHO ARRIVED SEEKING UN MEMBERSHIP WELCOMED I NY BY PEACE ACTIVISTS, COMMUNIST DIPLOMATS (CSM), AS WELL AS JOAN BAEZ, 2 EX-POWS (CHITRIB).

LAT RETRACTS REPORT ON HEAVY BOMBING RAIDS IN SVN ON DAY

US EVACUATION. WH, DOD PREVIOUSLY DENIED ALLEGATIONS (NYT). SEN BAYH CALLS F OR DEBATE, URGES REJECTION PROPOSED PROMOTION USAF GEN SLAY ON GROUNDS EXECUTED ILLEGAL ORDERS, FALSIFIED REPORTS TO CONCEAL SECRET US BOMBING OF NVN, CAMBODIA (NYT; WP).

6. INDOCHINA REFUGEES

WP'S CROCK REPORTS STATES CONFUSED OVER WHAT AID CAN BE GIVEN REFUGEES, THOUGH HEW GUIDELINES SAY WILL BE COMPLETELY REIMBURSED FOR ASSISTANCE COSTS.

7. AUSTRALIA

WHITLAM SAYS GOA INTENDS INTRODUCE TOUGH BUDGET 8/19
BEGINNING WITH GOVT SPENDING CUT NEEDED TO COMBAT 14 PCT
INFLATION RATE (REUTER, LAT 7/28).
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AUSTRALIA, CANADA PLAN TRAIN ABOUT 150 TROOPS IN EACH OTHER'S COUNTRIES FOR 6 WKS DURING SEPT, OCT IN WHAT EXPECTED TO BE ANNUAL EXCHANGE (REUTER, WP, NYT).

NEWMONT MINING CO FINDS AUSTRALIAN PARTNER; INTENDS PROCEED WITH DEVELOPMENT TELFER GOLD DEPOSITS IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA BEGINNING EARLY 1977 (WSJ).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

8. CHINA

BONAVIA (LONDON TIMES DISPATCH; IN PHIL BULLETIN 7/27) SPEAKS WITH PRC'S "BAREFOOT DOCTORS." FINDS THEY ARE CROSS BETWEEN "PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS AND DISTRICT NURSES" WHOSE STUDY AMOUNTS TO 3 MONTHS.

GILES (WSJ) NOTES REAL INTERESTS OF FRIENDS, COLLEAGUES CONCERNING PRC DON'T INVOLVE "IMPORTANT" QUESTIONS, BUT RATHER IF US VISITORS SAW PRETTY GIRLS, ATE WELL, NOTICED CATS AND DOGS. GILES REPLIES PRC WOMEN WILL "NEVER MAKE STELLAR ATTRACTIONS"; FOOD GOOD BUT QUITE UNUSUAL; 14 ANIMALS "THAT BARKED SUSPICIOUSLY LIKE AMERICAN MUTTS" CITED. BELIEVES PRC, US "STILL AT LEAST HALF A WORLD APART."

9. INDOCHINA

INDOCHINA RESOURCE CENTR DIRECTOR PORTER SAYS FUTURE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN 2 VNS REMAINS UNCLEAR TO OUTSIDERS; DENIES NVA IS IN MIL OCCUPATION OF SVN, SINCE NVA WAS ALWAYS FIGMENT OF US IMAGINATION NECESSARY TO POSITION THAT 17TH PARALLEL "CORRESPONDED SOMEHOW TO

THE FUNDAMENTAL POLITICAL CLEAVAGE IN THE COUNTRY." FORESEES SVN GOVT TO BEGIN EVOLUTION TOWARD SOCIETY MORE COMPATIBLE WITH NVN, WITHOUT IMPOSITION OF NVN SYSTEM ON SOUTH. SAYS PRG, THOUGH ECLIPSED, NOT IDLE BUT STUDYING LONG-TERM PROBLEMS, MAKING OBSERVATION TRIPS (LAT 7/27).

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WILKINSON (CSM) REVIEWS 2 BOOKS BY FORMER VN POWS; ONE LIVED BY MIL CODE OF CONDUCT, OTHER COLLABORATED. SEES STALWART AS FIGURE FROM PAST, COLLABORATOR AS MORE CONTEMPORARY. CONCLUDES MARK OF MATURING NATION IS TO CONTAIN, RESPECT BOTH.

10. MARIANAS

WARREN KIMBALL (HISTORY PROFESSOR, RUTGERS) IN LETTER TO NYT STATES ECONOMIC REALITIES LEFT NORTHERN MARIANAS PEOPLE LITTLE CHOICE BUT OPT FOR COMMONWEALTH STATUS IN RECENT VOTE. ARGUES US STANDS ON VERGE OF "UNCONSCIOUS ACT OF RACISM" OF WHICH OUR GRANDCHILDREN WILL SUFFER CONSEQUENCES WHEN ISLANDERS COME TO RESENT REALITY THAT THEY ARE AND WILL ALWAYS BE SECOND-CLASS CITIZENS.

11. GENERAL

HARSCH (CSM) EXPLAINS WHY PRES FORD IS CARRYING DETENTE THROUGH TO SIGNING OF HELSINKI DECLARATION, ACCEPTING SOVIET SPHERE OF INFLUENCE IN EEUR, INDEFINITE CONTROL OVER EGERMANY: CHINA BACKED BY US, JAPAN ON ONE SIDE, AND GERMANS BACKED BY US ON OTHER, WOULD CONFRONT SOVIET WITH COMBINATION OF ENEMIES ON TWO FRONTS TOO BIG TO HANDLE. THUS, US SEEKS ASSURE SOVIET WOULD NOT DO ANYTHING CAUSING STRONG -- AND DANGEROUS -- SOVIET REACTION. INGERSOLL

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